

## BY THE GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF GEORGIA

## **A PROCLAMATION**

## FAIR HOUSING AND EQUAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY MONTH

WHEREAS: Fair housing and equal opportunity help to ensure greater access to quality schools,

healthy environments, and economic opportunities conducive to self-sufficiency and an

improved quality of life; and

WHEREAS: The Georgia Fair Housing Act protects all Georgia citizens from discrimination relating

to the sale, rental, or provision of brokerage services or facilities due to race, color,

national origin, religion, sex, disability or handicap, or familial status; and

WHEREAS: The Georgia Fair Employment Practices Act safeguards public employees from

discrimination in employment based on race, color, national origin, religion, sex,

disability, or age; and

WHEREAS: The Georgia Commission on Equal Opportunity has been vested with the authority and

responsibility to enforce these statutes on behalf of the citizens of Georgia; and

WHEREAS: Each year, the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development recognizes the

month of April as Fair Housing Month to highlight the importance of fair housing laws

nationwide; and

WHEREAS: During Fair Housing and Equal Employment Opportunity Month, the Georgia

Commission on Equal Opportunity will work to raise awareness of fair housing and employment practices in furtherance of efforts to eliminate discrimination in Georgia;

now

THEREFORE: I, NATHAN DEAL, Governor of the State of Georgia, do hereby proclaim April 2018 as

FAIR HOUSING AND EQUAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY MONTH in Georgia.

In witness thereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the Executive Department to be affixed this  $30^{th}$  day of March in the year of our Lord two thousand

eighteen.



ATTEST

CHIEF OF STAFF